In the Matter of the Petition

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SAMUEL BAUM

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For a Redetermination of a Deficiency or a Refund of Personal Income Taxes under Article (xs) 22 of the Tax Law for the Year(\*) 1970

State of New York County of Albany

JANET MACK

, being duly sworn, deposes and says that

she is an employee of the Department of Taxation and Finance, over 18 years of age, and that on the 14th day of March , 1975, she served the within 

(PEOPHERICAL REPORTS) the petitioner in the within

proceeding, by enclosing a true copy thereof in a securely sealed postpaid wrapper addressed as follows: Mr. Samuel Baum

> 3332 Wilson Avenue 10469 Bronx, New York

and by depositing same enclosed in a postpaid properly addressed wrapper in a (post office or official depository) under the exclusive care and custody of the United States Post Office Department within the State of New York.

That deponent further says that the said addressee is the (represented two XXX) petitioner herein and that the address set forth on said wrapper is the last known address of the (representative of xide) petitioner.

Sworn to before me this

14th day of March

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## STATE OF NEW YORK DEPARTMENT OF TAXATION AND FINANCE

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DATED:

Albany, New York March 14, 1975

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HEARING OFFICER

Mr. Samuel Baum 3332 Wilson Avenue Bronx, New York 10469

Dear Mr. Baum:

Please take notice of the **DECISION** of the State Tax Commission enclosed herewith.

Please take further notice that pursuant to Section (\*)690 of the Tax Law, any proceeding in court to review an adverse decision must be commenced within 4 months from the date of this notice.

Any inquiries concerning the computation of tax due or refund allowed in accordance with this decision or concerning any other matter relative hereto may be addressed to the undersigned. These will be referred to the proper party for reply.

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# STATE OF NEW YORK STATE TAX COMMISSION

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SAMUEL BAUM

DECISION

for Redetermination of Deficiency or for Refund of Personal Income Tax under Article 22 of the Tax Law for the Year 1970.

Petitioner, Samuel Baum, residing at 3332 Wilson Avenue, Bronx, New York 10469, has filed a petition for redetermination of deficiency or for refund of personal income tax under Article 22 of the Tax Law for the year 1970. (File No. 0-55142304). A formal hearing was held before Paul B. Coburn, Hearing Officer, at the offices of the State Tax Commission, Two World Trade Center, New York, New York, on December 19, 1974, at 2:45 P.M. Petitioner appeared pro se. The Income Tax Bureau appeared by Saul Heckelman, Esq. (Solomon Sies, Esq. of Counsel).

#### **ISSUE**

Are the minimum income tax provisions of Article 22 of the Tax Law unconstitutional as applied to the remainder of long term capital gain, not subject to New York personal income tax, and investment interest expense, reported by petitioner, Samuel Baum, for the year 1970?

#### FINDINGS OF FACT

- 1. Petitioner, Samuel Baum, filed a New York State income tax resident return for the year 1970. He stated on said return that there was tax due in the sum of \$293.38, that there was tax withheld in the sum of \$881.00 and that there was a refund due to him in the sum of \$587.62.
- 2. On October 26, 1971, the Income Tax Bureau issued a Statement of Audit Changes against petitioner, Samuel Baum, which recomputed his income tax liability for the year 1970 upon the grounds that the remainder of long term capital gain, not subject to New York personal income tax, and investment interest expense are considered items of tax preference and subject to New York minimum income tax. His tax liability was recomputed as follows:

Investment interest expense Investment income:		\$44,094.57
Dividends	\$16,370.27	
Interest income	1,307.74	
Short term capital gain	50.34	
Net investment income		17,728.35
Excess investment interest expense		\$26,366.22
Capital gain		18,711.61
Total items of tax preference		\$45,077.83

 ${\tt Modification}$  for Allocable Expenses Attributable to Items of Tax Preference

Taxes

Contributions

### Allocable Expenses

946.52 531.00

Interest expense Total Less: State income taxes Net	44,094.57 \$45,572.09 881.00 \$44,691.09	
Total allocable expenses New York adjusted gross income Items of tax preference Specific deduction	_	\$44,691.09 54,795.61 45,077.83 20,000.00
Total allocable expenses  \$54,795.61  \$54,795.61 + \$45,077.83 - \$20,000.00  Modification under Section 615(c) (4)	X \$44,691.09	\$44,691.09 = 30,658.09 \$14,033.00
Total New York income Deductions - Line 6(c), Page 1 Less: Modification - Section	\$46,405.93	\$54,795.61
State income taxes 881.00  New York itemized deductions Balance Exemption New York taxable income	14,914.00	31,491.93 \$23,303.68 625.00 \$22,678.68
Tax on income Statutory credit New York personal income tax		\$ 1,738.23

Items of Tax Preference	\$45 <b>,</b> 0 <b>77.</b> 83
Less: Specific deduction	20,000.00
Balance	\$25,077.83
Less: New York personal income tax	1,725.73
Minimum taxable income	\$23,352.10
Minimum income tax due at 3%	700.56
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New York personal income tax	\$1 <b>,</b> 725 <b>.</b> 73
New York tax withheld	881.00
Net New York personal income tax	\$ 844.73
New York minimum income tax	700.56

TOTAL NEW YORK TAX DUE

\$1,545.29

In accordance with the aforesaid Statement of Audit Changes, it issued a Notice of Deficiency against him in the sum of \$1,594.43.

3. Petitioner, Samuel Baum, stipulated at the formal hearing that the only issue that he was contesting was the constitutionality of the provisions of Article 22 of the Tax Law which imposed a minimum income tax upon his income for the year 1970. He further stipulated that he was not contesting the Income Tax Bureau's computation of the additional personal income tax or minimum income tax due as set forth in the Statement of Audit Changes.

#### CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

A. That the constitutionality of the laws of the State of
New York are presumed at the administration level of the New York

State Tax Commission. There is no jurisdiction at the administrative level to declare such laws unconstitutional. Therefore, it must be presumed that sections 622 and 623 of the Tax Law relating to the imposition of a minimum income tax on resident individuals such as petitioner, Samuel Baum, are constitutional.

B. That the petition of Samuel Baum is denied and the Notice of Deficiency issued October 26, 1971, is sustained.

DATED: Albany, New York

STATE TAX COMMISSION

March 14, 1975

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